



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of : Confirmation No. 1946

Toshiyuki WADA et al. : Attorney Docket No. 2005 0081A

Serial No. 10/522,127 : Group Art Unit 2853

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IMAGE RECORDING APPARATUS AND IMAGE RECORDING METHOD, AND IMAGE RECEIVING LAYER TRANSFERER AND IMAGE FORMING MEDIUM USED FOR THEM

RESPONSE

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the Restriction Requirement of April 10, 2007, Applicants hereby elect <u>Group I</u>, which is drawn to an image recording apparatus/method and is embodied by claims 1-2, 4-14 and 17-26. Accordingly, since Group I has been elected, Applicants further elect <u>Species 1</u>. Note, that claims 1 and 16 are readable on the elected species.

Having made the required election, a full examination on the merits of the elected group is requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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